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Youth minister jailed

A minster was sentenced to 22 years in prison yesterday for the sexual abuse of girls at his church. Prosecutors say Jeremy Fulton, 29, a former minister at the downtown Mariners' Temple **Baptist Church,** sexually abused five girls, all 10 to 16 years old. METRO/AB

In the news



Bloomberg: No presidential run Mayor Michael Bloomberg said yesterday on FOX 5's "Good Day New York" that he won't be running for president anytime soon. "Party loyalty is very important and I think an independent candidate couldn't win," he said. « METRO/CB

Police say man shot at officers

JACKSON HEIGHTS. On the same day slain police officer Peter Figoski was laid to rest, Police Commissioner Ray Kelly said officers nabbed a man who shot at cops in a separate incident.



Antonio Olmeda, 53, was charged with attempted murder for allegedly shooting at two cops on Dec. 2 in Jackson Heights, Queens. The two officers were patrolling near 67th

Street and Roosevelt Avenue when Olmeda shot at them three times and ran down 77th Street, Kelly said. After a manhunt, Olmeda was arrested Monday. © METRO/AB

Whole family dies in plane accident

● Upper East Side family killed in New Jersey crash ● Reportedly heading to Georgia, where they had relatives ● Two young children and dog aboard



An Upper East Side family on their way out of town on a holiday vacation died yesterday in a fiery plane crash in northern New Jersey.

Jeffrey Buckalew, 45, was piloting the single-engine Socata plane that took off from New Jersey's Teterboro Airport. On board were his wife, Corinne, his two young children, both reportedly under the age of 10, as well as the family dog.

Also on board was Rakesh Chawla, 36, who worked with Buckalew at Manhattan-based investment firm Greenhill & Co., the firm said.

The family was headed

"They were a beautiful family. Gorgeous children."

for DeKalb Peachtree Airport near Atlanta, Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Jim Peters said. The Buckalews had relatives in Georgia, according to the New York Post.

The plane was reportedly spiraling and lost a wing before exploding when it hit Interstate 287 in Harding, N.J., about 37 miles outside of the city.

It crashed 14 minutes after its 9:51 a.m. takeoff.

No one on the ground was hurt, according to New Jersey State Police Trooper Christopher Kay.

"They were a beautiful family. Gorgeous children," a neighbor told the Post of the Buckalews. "If you saw them in the street, you would stop and comment on how lovely they were. ... They were going away on a family trip. That's what the doorman told us as we left." METRO/REUTERS

What went wrong?

NEW YORK. The plane belonged to Buckalew. He was an experienced pilot with a passion for flying, according to a Greenhill statement.

Before the crash, the plane made contact with an air traffic controller asking for permission to seek higher altitude, which it was granted, Peters said. Following this, the transmission became garbled and the plane fell off the radar, he added.

Buckalew also reportedly discussed icing conditions with air traffic controllers. REUTERS



Subway exposer sought

BRONX. Police are asking for the public's help in tracking down the man above, who they said exposed himself to a woman while the two were aboard a northbound 6 train at the Buhre Avenue station. The suspect, who is believed to be in his 30s, exposed himself to the woman on Dec. 15 at 9:50 p.m., said police. © METRO/CB

Livery hail bill passed

ALBANY. Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed a bill last night offering livery cars the ability to pick up street hails in the five boroughs. The city will offer 18,000 total livery licenses to drivers, which will allow them to pick up street hails in the city. "The new law will make getting around town easier," said Bloomberg, a backer of the bill. @ METRO/AB

Mom criticizes LI cops

LONG ISLAND. The mother of a woman whose body was found last week said she now wants the FBI, not Long Island police, investigating her death. Shannan Gilbert's mother, Mari Gilbert, called local police "clownish."

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New York employee charged

NEW YORK. A former Child Protective Specialist with the city Administration for Children's Services has been charged with lying about visiting at-risk children. Daria Muhammad, 45, was charged yesterday

Daria Muhammad could face up to four years in prison.

with falsely stating she conducted home visits, according to the city's Department of Investigation. Prosecutors say that Muhammad reported faceto-face conversations about home visits that never actually occurred. METRO/AB

State pol admits he took bribes



NEW YORK. Former Brooklyn State Senator Carl Kruger pleaded guilty to charges that he accepted bribes in return for postate politician. O METRO/AB

Indicted ed bribes in return for political favors. Kruger cried when he appeared in court yesterday, sobbing that he was "truly sorry for my conduct." He was charged with fraud and taking as much as \$1 million in bribes while he served as a state politician. © METRO/AB

- Accused cop killer Lamont Pride indicted for first-degree murder
- Brawled with guards at Rikers



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Alleged cop killer Lamont Pride was indicted in Brooklyn Criminal Court yesterday, one day after he brawled with two guards at Rikers Island on Monday, according to reports.

Pride, 27, was returning from a medical exam Mon-

No deals offered

NEW YORK. Brooklyn District Attorney Charles Hynes said yesterday he will not offer a plea deal to any of the men.

Pride faces life in prison without parole. Kevin Santos, 30, Ariel Tejada, 22, Nelson Moralez, 27, and Michael Velez, 21, each face up to 25 years in prison.

Hynes said at a press conference yesterday that plea bargains are not on the table. O METRO/AB

day when he refused to undergo a search, said Department of Correction officials. Pride elbowed a corrections officer in the face and then jabbed his elbow at a second officer who came to help, officials said.

Pride reportedly incurred a face abrasion during the scuffle, but did not need medical attention.

He was indicted yesterday on first-degree murder charges for the fatal shooting of NYPD Officer Peter Figoski last week; Pride shot Figoski when the cop interrupted a home breakin, said police. The four others who police say planned the home invasion were all charged with second-degree murder.

Figoski was buried Monday during an emotional funeral in Babylon, L.I. More than 15,000 people attended, including his four daughters and thousands of fellow police officers.



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Midtown game frozen in time

Good luck moving any of these chess pieces. Ice carvers Okamoto Studios sculpted four giant chess pieces to commemorate the famed first match between IBM's Deep Blue and World Chess Champion Garry Kasparov, which took place on Feb. 10, 1996. The historic game marked the first time a chess-playing computer defeated a reigning — albeit human — chess master.

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Fee-free ATMs subject users to advertisements

A 25-year-old Brooklyn man is cashing in on New Yorkers' hatred of pricey ATM fees. Clinton Townsend has created ATMs that derive their revenue from advertisers instead of high surcharges.

Townsend's ATMs display a 24-hour video loop from monitors on top of the machines and print coupons on ATM receipts, he explained. The machines also show a 15- to 20-second advertisement while customers wait for their cash to dispense.

Townsend installed one of his ATMs at the Knitting Factory music venue in Williamsburg in November; in the new year, there will be hundreds of his no-fee ATMs across the five boroughs, he promised.

Townsend said he'll focus on distributing the ma-



"Customers are already being showed advertisements at traditional banks."

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chines to areas like Jamaica, Queens, where ATMs are few and far between.

Some in the blogosphere, however, are concerned that customers will be distracted by the flashy advertisements and fall victim to muggers.

But Townsend counters that his ATMs will be placed inside businesses that "customers are comfortable in."

"Customer safety is a priority," he said.



Bloomberg honors 50 millionth city visitor

TIMES SQUARE. Mayor Michael Bloomberg welcomed the city's 50 millionth visitor yesterday, honoring the Johnson family visiting from Lichfield, England. The vacationing family received a "golden ticket" that gives them gift cards to Bloomingdale's, Century 21, FAO Schwarz and Macy's, as well as \$400 credits to restaurants like Tribeca Grill and tickets to see the Radio City Christmas Spectacular. • METRO/AB



'Weed Man' to be left alone?

TIMES SQUARE. Josh Long, aka the "Weed Man," has won a first battle in his lawsuit against the city and the NYPD. Long was arrested eight times in 2010 for holding a sign that says "Help! I need money for weed!" in Times Square, but he's fighting for his right to keep the sign up. On Monday, a Manhattan federal judge ordered that the NYPD leave Long alone until the case is resolved.

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Tea an excuse in charge of self-abortion

WASHINGTON HEIGHTS. The 20-year-old Washington Heights woman who was charged with self-abortion after a fetus was found in a trash can may have drank an herbal tea commonly used to induce miscarriage, according to DNAinfo. The tea, known as hierba de ruba, can be found in Latino and Caribbean natural remedy stores throughout the city.

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JANUVIA (jah-NEW-vee-ah) should not be used in patients with type 1 diabetes or with diabetic ketoacidosis (increased ketones in the blood or urine). If you have had pancreatitis (inflammation of the pancreas), it is not known if you have a higher chance of getting it while taking JANUVIA.

Selected Risk Information About JANUVIA: Serious side effects can happen in people who take JANUVIA, including pancreatitis, which may be severe and lead to death. Before you start taking JANUVIA, tell your doctor if you've ever had pancreatitis. Stop taking JANUVIA and call your doctor right away if you have pain in your stomach area (abdomen) that is severe and will not go away. The pain may be felt going from your abdomen through to your back. The pain may happen with or without vomiting. These may be symptoms of pancreatitis.

Do not take JANUVIA if you are allergic to any of its ingredients, including sitagliptin. Symptoms of serious allergic reactions to JANUVIA, including rash, hives, and swelling of the face, lips, tongue, and throat that may cause difficulty breathing or swallowing, can occur. If you have any symptoms of a serious allergic reaction, stop taking JANUVIA and call your doctor right away.

^aFingertip Formulary, LLC, June 2011.

Please see the Medication Guide on the next page and discuss it with your doctor.

Kidney problems, sometimes requiring dialysis, have been reported.

If you take JANUVIA with another medicine that can cause low blood sugar (hypoglycemia), such as a sulfonylurea or insulin, your risk of getting low blood sugar is higher. The dose of your sulfonylurea medicine or insulin may need to be lowered while you use JANUVIA. Signs and symptoms of low blood sugar may include headache, drowsiness, weakness, dizziness, confusion, irritability, hunger, fast heart beat, sweating, and feeling jittery.

Your doctor may do blood tests before and during treatment with JANUVIA to see how well your kidneys are working. Based on these results, your doctor may change your dose of JANUVIA. The most common side effects of JANUVIA are upper respiratory tract infection, stuffy or runny nose and sore throat, and headache.

Call I-888-JANUVIA or visit Januvia.com.

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/medwatch, or call 1-800-FDA-1088.



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Read this Medication Guide carefully before you start taking JANUVIA and each time you get a refill. There may be new information. This information does not take the place of talking with your doctor about your medical condition or your treatment. If you have any questions about JANÚVIA, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

What is the most important information I should know about JANUVIA?

Serious side effects can happen in people taking JANUVIA, including inflammation of the pancreas (pancreatitis) which may

Certain medical problems make you more likely to get pancreatitis.

Before you start taking JANUVIA:

Tell your doctor if you have ever had

- pancreatitis
- stones in your gallbladder (gallstones)
- a history of alcoholism
- high blood triglyceride levels
- kidney problems

Stop taking JANUVIA and call your doctor right away if you have pain in your stomach area (abdomen) that is severe and will not go away. The pain may be felt going from your abdomen through to your back. The pain may happen with or without vomiting. These may be symptoms of pancreatitis.

What is JANUVIA?

- JANUVIA is a prescription medicine used along with diet and exercise to lower blood sugar in adults with type 2 diabetes.
- . JANUVIA is not for people with type 1 diabetes.
- JANUVIA is not for people with diabetic ketoacidosis (increased ketones in your blood or urine).
- If you have had pancreatitis (inflammation of the pancreas) in the past, it is not known if you have a higher chance of getting pancreatitis while you take JANUVIA.
- It is not known if JANUVIA is safe and effective when used in children under 18 years of age.

Who should not take JANUVIA?

Do not take JANUVIA if:

 you are allergic to any of the ingredients in JANUVIA. See the end of this Medication Guide for a complete list of ingredients in JANUVIA.

Symptoms of a serious allergic reaction to JANUVIA may include:

- · raised red patches on your skin (hives)
- . swelling of the face, lips, tongue, and throat that may cause difficulty in breathing or swallowing

What should I tell my doctor before taking JANUVIA?

Before you take JANUVIA, tell your doctor if you:

- have or have had inflammation of your pancreas (pancreatitis).
- have kidney problems.
- have any other medical conditions.
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if JANUVIA will harm your unborn baby. If you are pregnant, talk with your doctor about the best way to control your blood sugar while you are pregnant.

Pregnancy Registry: If you take JANUVIA at any time during your pregnancy, talk with your doctor about how you can join the JANUVIA pregnancy registry. The purpose of this registry is to collect information about the health of you and your baby. You can enroll in this registry by calling 1-800-986-8999.

· are breast-feeding or plan to breast-feed. It is not known if JANUVIA will pass into your breast milk. Talk with your doctor about the best way to feed your baby if you are taking JANUVIA.

Tell your doctor about all the medicines you take, including prescription and non-prescription medicines, vitamins,

Know the medicines you take. Keep a list of your medicines and show it to your doctor and pharmacist when you get a new medicine.

- Take JANUVIA 1 time each day exactly as your doctor tells you.
- You can take JANUVIA with or without food.
- Your doctor may do blood tests from time to time to see how well your kidneys are working. Your doctor may change your dose of JANUVIA based on the results of your blood tests.
- Your doctor may tell you to take JANUVIA along with other diabetes medicines. Low blood sugar can happen more often when JANUVIA is taken with certain other diabetes medicines. See "What are the possible side effects of JANUVIA?". If you miss a dose, take it as soon as you remember. If you do not remember until it is time for your next dose,
- skip the missed dose and go back to your regular schedule. Do not take two doses of JANUVIA at the same time. If you take too much JANUVIA, call your doctor or local Poison Control Center right away.
- When your body is under some types of stress, such as fever, trauma (such as a car accident), infection or surgery, the amount of diabetes medicine that you need may change. Tell your doctor right away if you have any of these conditions and follow your doctor's instructions.
- Check your blood sugar as your doctor tells you to.
- Stay on your prescribed diet and exercise program while taking JANUVIA.

- . Talk to your doctor about how to prevent, recognize and manage low blood sugar (hypoglycemia), high blood sugar (hyperglycemia), and problems you have because of your diabetes.
- Your doctor will check your diabetes with regular blood tests, including your blood sugar levels and your

What are the possible side effects of JANUVIA?

Serious side effects have happened in people taking JANUVIA.

- See "What is the most important information I should know about JANUVIA?".
- . Low blood sugar (hypoglycemia). If you take JANUVIA with another medicine that can cause low blood sugar, such as a sulfonylurea or insulin, your risk of getting low blood sugar is higher. The dose of your sulfonylurea medicine or insulin may need to be lowered while you use JANUVIA. Signs and symptoms of low blood sugar may include:
 - headache
- imitability
- drowsiness
- hunger fast heart beat
- weakness dizziness
- sweating
- confusion
- feeling jittery
- Serious allergic reactions. If you have any symptoms of a serious allergic reaction, stop taking JANUVIA and call your doctor right away. See "Who should not take JANUVIA?". Your doctor may give you a medicine for your allergic reaction and prescribe a different medicine for your diabetes.
- Kidney problems, sometimes requiring dialysis

The most common side effects of JANUVIA include:

- upper respiratory infection
- · stuffy or runny nose and sore throat
- headache

JANUVIA may have other side effects, including:

- · stomach upset and diarrhea
- swelling of the hands or legs, when JANUVIA is used with rosiglitazone (Avandia®). Rosiglitazone is another type of diabetes medicine.

These are not all the possible side effects of JANUVIA. For more information, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Tell your doctor if you have any side effect that bothers you, is unusual or does not go away.

Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

How should I store JANUVIA?

Store JANUVIA at 68°F to 77°F (20°C to 25°C).

Keep JANUVIA and all medicines out of the reach of children.

General information about the use of JANUVIA

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes that are not listed in Medication Guides. Do not use JANUVIA for a condition for which it was not prescribed. Do not give JANUVIA to other people, even if they have the same symptoms you have. It may harm them.

This Medication Guide summarizes the most important information about JANUVIA. If you would like to know more information, talk with your doctor. You can ask your doctor or pharmacist for additional information about JANUVIA that is written for health professionals. For more information, go to www.JANUVIA.com or call 1-800-622-4477.

What are the ingredients in JANUVIA?

Active ingredient: sitagliptin.

Inactive ingredients: microcrystalline cellulose, anhydrous dibasic calcium phosphate, croscarmellose sodium, magnesium stearate, and sodium stearyl fumarate. The tablet film coating contains the following inactive ingredients: polyvinyl alcohol, polyethylene glycol, talc, titanium dioxide, red iron oxide, and yellow iron oxide.

What is type 2 diabetes?

Type 2 diabetes is a condition in which your body does not make enough insulin, and the insulin that your body produces does not work as well as it should. Your body can also make too much sugar. When this happens, sugar (glucose) builds up in the blood. This can lead to serious medical problems.

High blood sugar can be lowered by diet and exercise, and by certain medicines when necessary.

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- This voucher is valid for 1 free 30-day trial supply of JANUVIA.
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Branding a dynasty: The Kims of N. Korea

Seclusion state

North Korea was in seclusion following announcement of the death of Kim Jong-il, as concern mounted over what would happen next in the secretive nation trying to build a nuclear arsenal.

Pyongyang has said foreign officials will not be invited to the funeral.

In a sign the hermit state was sealing itself off from the outside world even more after the Dear Leader's death, few people crossed the Dandong border with China. China is the North's only major ally and one of the few states with which it actively trades.

• The totalitarian state begun by Kim il-Sung and then led by Kim Jong-il is now in the hands of a new Kim

North Korea's new leader looks like his grandfather, went to school in Switzerland and reportedly loves basketball star Michael Jordan. Nothing is known about his views on nuclear weapons, international relations or fixing his country's crippled economy.

Kim Jong-un, thought to be in his late 20s, inherits an economy where 24 million people suffer from chronic malnutrition and are taught to believe the country is in a constant struggle with South Korea, the U.S. and Japan.

Kim Jong-il in September 2010 made Kim Jong-

Quoted

"Jong-un is very similar to his father, even his physical shape."

JAPANESE SUSHI CHEF KENJI FUJIMOTO, IN HIS BOOK, "KIM JONG-IL: NORTH KOREA'S DEAR LEADER."

un a four-star general and elevated allies to act as his son's guardians. Jong-il took three years after his father died in 1994 before formally assuming the country's highest posts.

One month after his promotion, Jong-un stood next to his father at a military parade. Photos of the event showed him wearing a black suit with a mandarin collar similar to the style worn by his grandfather. He also emulated Kim Il-sung's slicked-back hairstyle rather than the bouffant favored by his father.

"Jong-un's main claim to leadership is that he looks very similar to his grandfather," said Bradley K. Martin, author of "Under the Loving Care of the Fatherly Leader: North Korea and the Kim Dynasty" and a former reporter for Bloomberg News. "What you have here is branding. The Kim brand." BLOOMBERG



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• Meanwhile, Verizon investigated

The collapse of AT&T's \$39 billion bid for T-Mobile USA leaves the second-largest U.S. mobile carrier with few attractive strategic options as it seeks to challenge market leader Verizon Wireless.

To accommodate datausage growth, AT&T argued it needed the airwaves the T-Mobile USA purchase would have brought. With that option now unavailable, AT&T can either seek to buy spectrum from another company, wait for the government to auction more frequencies or try to squeeze more capacity out of its current airwaves. Each option is time-consuming, expensive and risky, said Col"Without this deal, it is going to be difficult for AT&T. There's no clear solution." SYNESAEL

by Synesael, a Cowen & Co. analyst in New York.

Already criticized for dropped calls and network coverage, AT&T will face more constrained capacity than Verizon Wireless, Synesael said. That may hurt customer growth at a time when carriers are seeking to sign up lucrative smartphone and tablet subscribers who will generate revenue for years to come. Earlier this year, AT&T lost U.S. exclusivity



to the Apple Inc. iPhone.

While AT&T focused on winning regulatory approval for the takeover, rivals have negotiated their own deals. BLOOMBERG

Verizon's problems

Verizon Wireless's deals for spectrum with cable companies are under investigation by the Justice Department for their potential to hurt competition in the wireless and cable industries. BLOOMBERG

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Rejected deal could result in higher tax

Standoff in Congress over extending payroll tax cuts 160 million US workers could see a hit to their income

The House of Representatives rejected a short-term deal passed by Democrats and fellow Republicans and called for fresh negotiations on the expiring tax break.

But Harry Reid, leader of the Democratic-controlled Senate, was standing firm and insisting that he would not recall the

chamber to reopen negotiations. Reid has won backing from some Republicans in the Senate who have called on their colleagues in the House to back the deal.

Republicans are betting that Democrats fear a voter backlash in 2012 if the tax break expires and will eventually bow to their de-



mands. Democrats are gambling that the same is true for Republicans.

Republicans say they want to negotiate for a full year extension, not just the two month stop-gap measure approved by the Senate. The Senate passed the shorter extension because it could not agree on a longer-term deal.

President Barack Obama made a surprise visit to the White House briefing room, increasing pressure on House Republicans, urging them to vote on the Senate measure.

Obama told lawmakers to put politics aside and said "let's not play brinkmanship."

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Gen X and Y saving more than Boomers

More than a quarter of Ba- heading into their golden by Boomers are unsure if they will be able to meet their savings goals by the time they're ready to retire. But their children appear to be on sounder footing, according to a TD Ameritrade survey.

This year the of first "Boomers" — the post WWII generation born between 1946 and 1964 - began

years at a rate of around 10,000 a day.

The survey of 1,509 conducted by adults, Maritz Inc. on behalf of TD Ameritrade Holding Corp, found that 27 percent of

> Boomers were less than confident or not at all confident that they will have saved what they hoped by the time they hit 65.

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Jump in housing starts points to bit of recovery

Housing starts and building permits jumped to a 18month high in November as demand for rental apartments rose, suggesting the housing market was entering a tentative recovery.

Yesterday's data was the latest sign of a quickening of growth that should help the nation weather tighter fiscal policy at home and a slowing global economy.

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2011: A year of DISASTER

Historic US weather catastrophes took an unprecedented toll in human lives and livelihood () At least 12 natural disasters wreaked more than \$1 billion in damage apiece A look at the five most costly disasters

Mississippi ___floods

More than 55 percent of the U.S. experienced either severe drought or extreme precipitation this year - the highest proportion on record, according to the National Climate Data Center. The average is 20 percent.

The Ohio River Basin received almost three times its normal rainfall. That

water, combined with melting snowpack, flowed into the Mississippi, where it inundated 6.8 million acres of farmland between Missouri and Louisiana. Economic losses ranged from \$3 billion to \$4 billion. At least two people died.

Hurricane Irene

Hurricane Irene left a trail

of inland flooding and storm damage from North Carolina to Maine. More than 7 million homes and businesses lost electricity. Vermont was struck particularly hard. Two of the state's iconic covered bridges washed away, and some 250 roads were closed. "It's the worst flooding we've seen in 75 years, perhaps ever," Vermont Gov. Peter Shumlin

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said.

The storm hit eastern North Carolina as a Category 1 storm on Aug. 27. Irene reached New York, the most populous U.S. city, as a tropical storm, toppling trees and tearing down power lines but causing less disruption than was feared.

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felt 104 miles away and tropical-storm-strength winds stretching 230 miles. At least 45 people died. Irene's bill came to more than \$7.3 billion.

Tornado devastates Joplin, Missouri

A twister three-quarters of a mile wide touched down in Joplin before dinnertime on May 22, a Sunday. It etched a wide scar of devastation into the landscape, including damage to thousands of buildings, including the local high school and the city's main hospital. Over five days, 180 tornadoes devastated lives and livelihoods across 15 states.

The Joplin tornado was rated EF5, the most powerful. It contained multiple vortexes — smaller, internally spinning whirls that add wind force to a twister. In all, 161 people died in Joplin, making it the deadliest single twister since modern record keeping began in 1950. Total losses from five days of storms topped \$9.1 billion, with



177 people dead.

The total human toll of 2011 is second only to that of 1925, when the most ferocious tornado recorded wrought a path of destruction 219 miles long across Missouri, Illinois and Indiana — leaving 695 people dead. Because storms weren't evaluated with to-

day's rigor, scientists can't be certain whether it was truly a single tornado or a cluster.

2Drought, heat waves and wildfires

The driest 12 months on record in Texas led cattlemen to slaughter herds early or ship them by train to greener pastures. Drought left crops twisting in the wind from the lower Great Plains to New Mexico. The U.S. government estimates that 33 percent of the nation's cotton crop will be lost this year — topping the 1933 record. Texas Governor Rick Perry, Republican Presidential candidate and son of a cotton farmer, asked supporters to pray for rain.

The drought in the southern plains and southwest has led to direct losses of crops, timber and livestock worth almost \$10 billion. Weather extremes have caused the U.S. Department of Agriculture to misestimate its two most recent annual crop forecasts by the most in a quarter century. Reservoirs like this one near Robert Lee, Texas, are drying up. Longterm trends are sobering. The Lower Colorado River Authority reports that "The weather outlook for our basin over the next six months still doesn't offer much hope for significant rain."

1 SUPER OUTBREAK

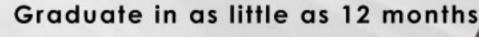


A girl's room is left exposed in the devastated town of Pleasant Grove, Ala., after the deadliest of 343 tornadoes that touched down from April 25-30 killed 78 people in northern Alabama.

Eleven twisters in the system reached category EF4, and four were rated EF5. In all, 321 people died. Total damages exceeded \$10.2 billion, making it the most expensive calamity in a record year for U.S. disasters. BLOOMBERG

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Lady and the Trump

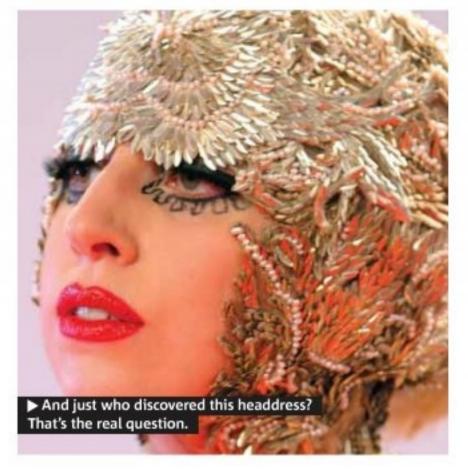
Just how did Lady Gaga become the global sensation she is today? Why, tastemaker Donald Trump paved her way, of course.

because Gaga performed at

the 2008 Miss Universe pageant, which he owns, he gets all the credit. "We always have an entertainer," he says. "My people In his new book, "Time told me, 'Nobody knows To Get Tough: Making who she is, but there's this America #1 Again," the woman with good talent toupeed star claims that named Lady Gaga.' And I said, 'Give me a break.'

And then they said, 'She's really good.' So I said, 'I don't care - if you like her, put her on."

And here I always thought it was the gay community who propelled Lady Gaga to stardom. Did Trump also discover Key West?



Demi Moore wants to empower you

Demi Moore's latest gig is taking part in "The Conversation," a new talk show set to air next month on Lifetime with British



TV personality Amanda de Cadenet as host (Moore serves as executive producer). "The Conversation," which claims to be about empowering women, has already nabbed such guests as Lady Gaga, Gwyneth Paltrow, Olivia Wilde and Jane Fonda. Ap-

parently, they plan on "empowering women" by asking these extremely successful ladies such questions as "What is your favorite sex position?" and "What do you lie about?"

Maybe instead of such inane questions, "The Conversation" could be inspi-

rational by asking such high-profile women to speak on the importance of education and birth control or fighting sexism in the work place.

Besides, everyone knows Gwyneth Paltrow's answer is going to be "missionary."

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skipping her

▶ @michaelianblack If anybody (Jude Law) wants to trade lives with me, NO THANK



Talking points

Butler gets bonked

Gerard Butler was hospitalized in Hawaii this week after a surfing accident, according to "Entertainment Tonight." "Butler was held down for a solid two waves and took four or five more waves on the head," surfer Frank Quirarte writes on his ESPN blog. "He was then washed through the rocks on the inside before he was finally able to be plucked out." After being rushed to the hospital, all seems well for the Scottish actor, though. "He's fine. Very scary," Butler's rep says. "For

precaution, we all wanted him checked out after it all happened. Came out with flying colors."

Scar Jo has no idea what you're talking about

British newspaper the Mirror has suggested that Scarlett Johansson is dating musician Dan White of the band Tribes. They allegedly met earlier this month while she films a new movie in London — but Johansson says they're pretty far off. "I've never heard of him, I've never met him and I've never listened to his band," she tells Us Weekly.



Chaz Bono and fiance spit

After featuring their tear-filled proposal on his reality series, "Being Chaz," Chaz Bono and Jennifer Elia have split up, call-

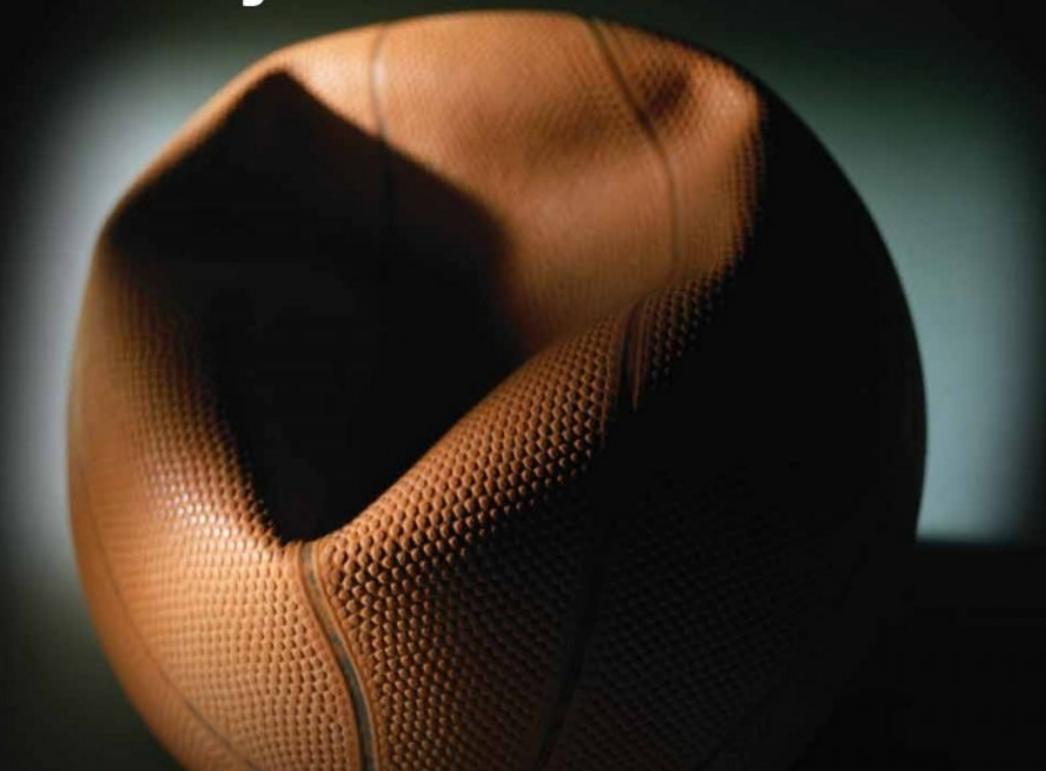
ing off their engagement, according to TMZ. "They leave this relationship with great love, respect and affection toward one another. No further amplification will be forthcoming, and they ask that you

respect their privacy at this time," says a rep for Bono.

Craig continues on as Bond

Daniel Craig may be donning James Bond's tuxedo for at least five more films, if producer Michael G. Wilson has anything to say about it. "Daniel's been a terrific Bond, a superb actor and a terrific man. The fans love him, and I don't think there's a better actor to play the part," Wilson says, according to Hollyscoop. "It's certainly something we'll be discussing with him once we finish shooting 'Skyfall.' I'd love Daniel to surpass Roger [Moore]'s record and do eight pictures."

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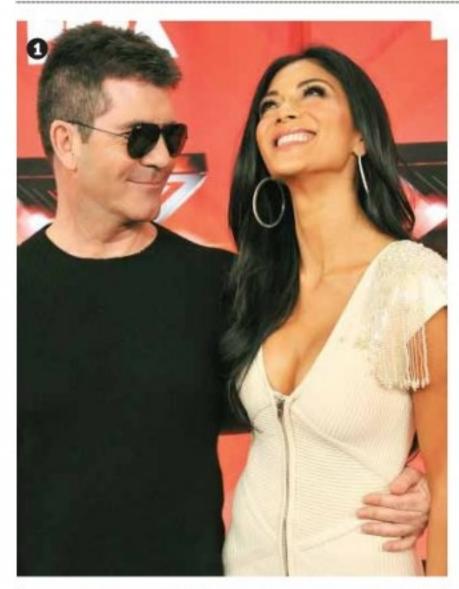
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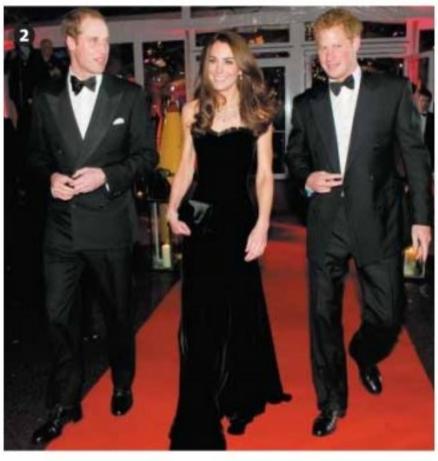
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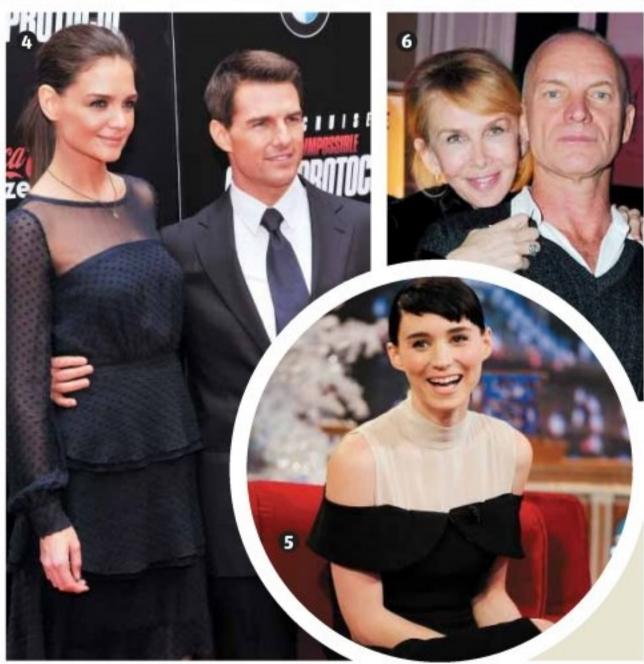


Banksy strikes again - as does Scherzinger's rack

- 1. What's he looking at? Judges Simon Cowell and Nicole Scherzinger posed at "The X Factor" press conference at CBS Televison City on Monday in Los Angeles.
- 2. Prince William, Duke of Cambridge, Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge and Prince Harry strutted their stuff at the The Sun Military Awards at Imperial War Museum on Monday in London.
- 3. A new stencil and spray paint artwork by guerilla graffiti artist Banksy appeared on Monday in London.
- 4. Katie Holmes and Tom Cruise attended the "Mission: Impossible - Ghost Protocol" U.S. premiere at the Ziegfeld Theatre on Monday in New York City.
- 5. Actress Rooney Mara visited "Late Night With Jimmy Fallon" at Rockefeller Center on Monday in New York City.
- 6. Trudie Styler and Sting hosted the launch of "The Bag Issue" at The House of St. Barnabas on Monday in London.

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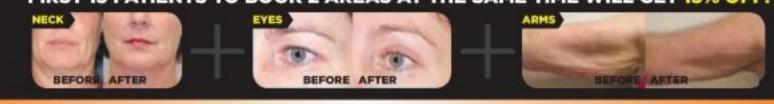


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'The Adventures of Tintin'

Cast: Jamie Bell, Andy Serkis,
Nick Frost, Simon Pegg
Rating: PG Grade: 00000
Unlike the emphatically epic
"War Horse," which director
Steven Spielberg is also
releasing this holiday season,
the animated "The
Adventures of Tintin" is a naturally joyful adventure that
excels both in how the story is
told and the astonishing way

it looks.

Based on the books by Herge, this "Tintin" is so amazingly realistic at certain points, you'd swear live footage was used. WETA Digital has banished the uncanny valley from existence thanks to their mastery of animating eyeballs.

The frequent comparisons to the "Indiana Jones" series are properly earned, given how much sweeping grandeur the action sequences contain. It's overall an unforgettable film.

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'Dragon Tattoo' is an adaptation worth seeing

Good things can come of the general presumption that Americans are too lazy to read subtitles. David Fincher has proven this with his adaptation of the first installment of Stieg Larsson's Millenium trilogy, "The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo."

Yes, everyone howled when this project was announced, because Danish filmmaker Niels Arden Oplev and Swedish director Daniel Alfredson had already produced masterful adaptations of the trilogy in Swedish.

No one could imagine



another actress besides Noomi Rapace in the role of Lisbeth Salander. The popularity of the Swedish films was so widespread that it helped to land Rapace in Hollywood.

But, David Fincher did the impossible. His rendition of "Dragon Tattoo" adds something that the original film lacked. Adopting the rule of show, don't tell, Fincher swaps dark

If you go

The Girl with the
Dragon Tattoo'
Director: David Fincher
Cast: Rooney Mara, Daniel
Craig, Christopher Plummer

Rating: R Grade: 00000



conversations over coffee for vivid reenactments of the stories being related from one character to another. The opening credits alone bring a Hollywood flash that the original decidedly lacked.

The sets are grittier and the violence is bloodier. But none of this steroidal enhancement feels obnoxious.

Perhaps the only criticism that could be lobbed at the film is how it ultimately peters out. Even so, we can't wait to see what Fincher brings to the next film, "The Girl Who Played With Fire," in 2013.

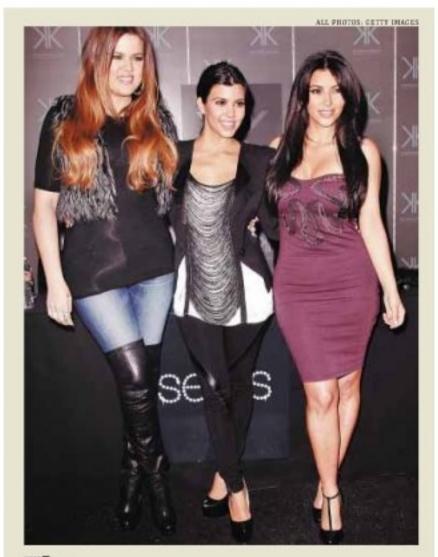




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The year's most overrated fashion plates

Why have we been praising these lackluster style icons? • We try to understand why these ladies are embraced for less-than-stellar wardrobe choices



Kardashian sisters

Sky-high Louboutins, black stretch jeans and leopard print do not a fashion icon make.



Jessica Simpson

Her clothing line is reportedly nearly worth a billion dollars. But we don't get it. Have you seen the way she dresses?



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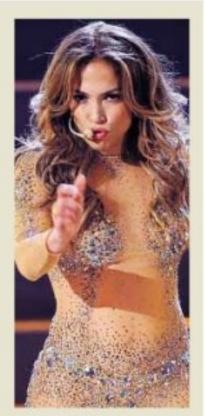
Pippa Middleton

Her conservative way of dressing hardly seems to warrant her a place on the bestdressed lists she's landed on.

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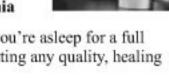
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'Pushmo'

Console: 3DS Company: Nintendo Cost: \$7

Grade: 00000

This is Nintendo's first real attempt at an original game for the 3DS eShop, and boy is it a doozy. "Pushmo" is, essentially, a puzzle game that has you pushing and pulling geometric shapes in order to ascend platforms and rescue these cute thingamajigs. It's colorful and a heck of a lot of fun. The 3-D is essential here, given that the game's levels can't really be understood without



it. It also comes packed in with a nifty level creator that allows you to share 'em on the net. Look at Nintendo, embracing the future!



'Infinity Blade 2'

Console: iOS Company: Epic Games Cost: \$7

Grade: 00000

"Infinity Blade" took iPhone owners by storm last winter, and now it's back for another helping of "Punch-Out!!"-inspired swordplay. The basic gameplay is the same. You still tirelessly fight foe after foe in a medieval setting, only the game has now opened up quite a bit. There is a whole castle to explore, complete with branching paths and secrets. Oh yeah, the graphics are still the best on the iOS platform.



'Grand Theft Auto III'

Console: iOS/Android Company: Rockstar Games

Cost: 55 Grade: 00000

You can kill hookers just like its 2001 again. Grand Theft Auto III has returned, this time to smartphones and tablets. The graphics have been upscaled a bit and, honestly, it feels pretty cool to run around Liberty City on your phone. The usual caveat remains here. however. Virtual joysticks and buttons have always sucked and will always suck until the end of time.

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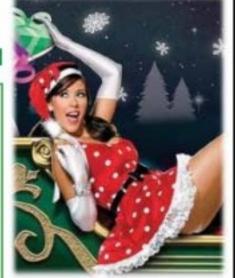
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How to (finally) keep your New Year's resolution

Vague promises to eat healthier or spend less won't work — you have to have a concrete plan of action

Smoking, over-eating, not exercising, biting your nails: There are lots of bad habits we'd like to kick in 2012. But while it's easy to make New Year's resolutions, sticking to them is a different matter.

"Resolutions are too vague," says self-help guru Dr. Gregg Jantz, author of "21 Days To Better Eating" and founder of Seattle's holistic healthcare facility A Place of Hope (www.aplaceofhope.com). "We have to take our resolutions and make them into concrete goals. We say we want to lose weight or stop smoking or eat better - but vague resolutions rarely work. Write down a plan of action. Set down your goal."

Dr. Jantz says that there are three tools that will Why New Year's

resolutions fail

Too many of us make too many resolutions. "A University of Washington study found that 40 percent of people stick to the resolution at the top of their lists," Dr. Jantz says. "Choose no more than two or three."

help you stay on track with your resolutions: "Confidence - that 'I can do it' spirit; commitment, that 'I will do it' [spirit] and accountability. Tell someone what you're doing, and get support too - either professional or from friends."

Before tackling any behavioral problems, address any underlying emotional conditions that might be holding you back. "If you're suffering from depression or you have a hidden addiction, it will sabotage your efforts," Dr. Jantz says.

He also advises not waiting until Jan. 1 to start. "Prepare now," he says. "Don't wait till New Year's Eve to get started. Make your plan, and as you go forward, make modifications. See what's working and what's not, and adjust accordingly."

Dr. Jantz says self-forgiveness is important if you fall off the resolution wagon. But self-license is not acceptable. "Ban the excuses," he says. "You can't live by excuses."





➤ You should get going on your New Year's resolutions before this shows up on your calendar.

Nutrition

The best-tasting diet plans, as ranked by **Epicurious.com:**

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Today in medicine

Seaweed fiber and weight loss

Study subjects: 96 overweight men and women

Location of study: Denmark Results: A University of Copenhagen study found that dietary fibers from brown algae, given as part of a drink, gave the feeling of a full stomach. Significance: Th fibers may aid in short-term weight loss.

Tanning beds and cancer

Study subjects: 376 patients diagnosed with basal cell carcinoma, 390 controls without it Location of study: U.S.

Results: Young people who go indoor tanning increase their risk of basal cell carcinoma by 69 percent, say researchers at the Yale School of Public Health. Their study, reported in



are healthier

Location of study: U.S.

Study subjects: 1,364 mothers

Results: A study published in

this month's Journal of Family

Psychology says that working

mothers are not as depressed

than their stay-at-home coun-

and in overall better health

the Journal of the American Academy of Dermatology, found the risk increased with usage, too.

Significance: About 25 percent of early-onset BCC cases could be prevented if people avoided indoor tanning, the experts say. Indoor tanning is also linked to melanoma, a much deadlier form of skin cancer.

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Significance: Stay-at-home moms could feel more isolated and like they are under more stress than working

Body hair and bedbugs

Study subjects: 29 healthy men and women

Location of study: U.K. Results: The University of Sheffield found that body hair acts as a barrier against parasitic insects. Test subjects with one shaved arm and one unshaven were exposed to bedbugs. The bugs took longer to bite the hairy arms.

Significance: Human skin has two layers of hair: one is short and nearly invisible, and the other is longer. This doublecoat obstructs insects like bedbugs. LINDA CLARKE



Get a head start on 2012

The Emerald Nuts Midnight Run in Central Park is more than just a 4-mile race that starts at midnight on Jan. 1 — get there at 10 p.m. on New Year's Eve for music, dancing and a costume parade (with prizes). Fireworks will kick off the race, and you can replenish at the nonalcoholic champagne "water station" while you're in the midst of running. For more information, visit www.nyrr.org. @ METRO/ME



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A recent poll on whether U.S. citizens are interested in correcting economic inequality found 46 percent in favor. However, 54 percent were concerned somewhat or not at all. If you take the "somewhats," that would make 73 percent concerned. But we don't need a poll; all we need do is live our lives and look around. Too few are making too much and too many are making not enough; and until the economic equation is solved, this economy will not rebound with any fervency. DAVID DIBELLO, BROOKLYN

Founders gave press the right

RE: "DOES THIS LOOK LIKE unity?": Ron Shelton says: "Mr. Simms' high dudgeon is hypocritical. He works for a media corporation that was permitted to engage in political advocacy, yet he thinks other corporations should not have the same rights!" Our founding fathers in the first amendment specifically gave free speech rights to the press. They would recognize the Metro and other newspapers as deserving of those rights (and obligations) and would be appalled to think that they

apply to Monsanto or Citibank or the Koch Bros. Inc. — which more resemble the East India Trading Company whose tea they threw in Boston Harbor. So much for original constitutional intent. JAMES E. VAN LOOY, VIA E-MAIL

forget Gingrich

the lead in Iowa is run as doesn't have youth, looks

Think Paul,

RE: "GINGRICH FADING IN IOWA": There is so much media bias against Ron Paul that his taking over a story about a fading Newt Gingrich, Ron Paul or charisma - what he

BRIAN CHAPMAN, VIA E-MAIL **Comparing two**

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recent deaths

North Korean dictator Kim Jong-iI, the personification of evil, has died. He forced his people to go hungry while he dazzled in riches - and all for military armaments and the development of nuclear weapons. Now that he's dead, is the world safer? Meanwhile, a good man, Vaclav Havel, the former Czech Republic president who fought for many years for democracy against a totalitarian regime, has died. Evil thrives when good men do nothing, but Vaclav Havel stood up to evil and won. FREDERICK R. BEDELL IR.,

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Horoscope

₹ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21. You have an ability to get others to be interested in things you find intriguing, thereby getting them to willingly help you. Try to make sure that everyone benefits equally. Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 19. When involved with people who espouse progressive ideas, get involved in conversations where you can learn what they know. One individual may clue you in to something valuable. Aquarius Jan. 20-Feb. 19. Don't be fearful of changing conditions, even those that are exceptionally challenging. You'll perform far better if the heat is turned up. H Pisces Feb. 20-March 20. As long as you know you are being honest with yourself, place your faith in your own evaluations instead of in the judgment of others.

trol of your own destiny instead of letting life manipulate you. If you want something badly enough, achieve it on your own instead of waiting for others to give it to you. Taurus April 20-May 20. If another has far better ideas than anything you've got, let him or her take the lead while you play the supporting

role. You'll have a strong team.

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T Aries March 21-April 19. Take con-

II Gemini May 21-June 20. This is a better than usual day for doing all kinds of personal jobs. Anything you can take on yourself will save you some bia bucks.

Cancer June 21-July 22. Seek out some activities that are not of a sedentary nature during your free time. It's OK to need a break from everyday chores, but you still need to use your mind, body and soul. Ω Leo July 23-Aug. 22. Strike while

life is going your way, but don't let

things drag on too long, especially

matters of a financial nature. Things

have a way of adding up and when

money is involved, and it ain't pretty. TV Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Although many people you know are deceived by outward appearances, you should be able to pierce any facade. You'll be able to see people and things for what they are and act accordingly.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23. Give vent to your ambitious desires, especially if there are several material items you want to acquire. Success is likely in areas where you are strongly moti-

M Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22. It's far easier to perform well when you believe that you can transform your dreams into realities. Be optimistic and hopeful regarding the outcome of events, BERNICE BEDE OSOL

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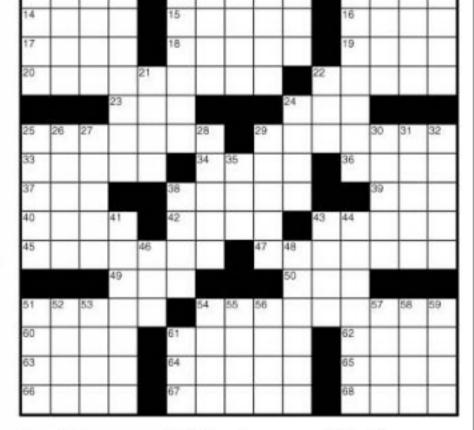
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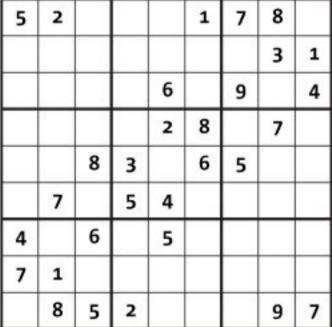


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Knicks finally get defensive

• Chandler signing gives Knicks presence on defense they sorely lacked O'Antoni compares him to Bill Russell O Team sets championship goal



The Knicks begin the season on Christmas Day, but their biggest and best present came weeks in advance when they signed center Tyson Chandler.

Chandler is just what the new-look Knicks need - a defensive presence in the middle not seen since Marcus Camby manned the pivot from 1998 to 2002.

Such is the giddiness around the Knicks' facilities that head coach Mike D'Antoni is openly talking about winning a title.

"We do have the ability to win it all," D'Antoni said. "We're one of the top-tier

D'Antoni was so support-

ive of signing Chandler he

(10.6 ppg, 3.0 apg)

Starting five



The Knicks' new-look Big 3 anchor a starting lineup that could change at the other two positions:

Toney Douglas He averaged 24 mpg last season and will be challenged by Mike Bibby.

Landry Fields (9.7 ppg, 6.4 rpg) Who shows up? The exciting rookie or the guy pushed to background?

Carmelo Anthony (25.6 ppg, 7.3 rpg) Third in league scoring last season, he had 26.3 ppg with the Knicks.

Amar'e Stoudemire (25.3 ppg, 8.2 rpg) Less pressure on defense should keep him fresh.

Tyson Chandler (10.1 ppg, 9.4 rpg) Will Chandler be the key to the defense Mike D'Antoni needs?

compared Chandler to legendary center Bill Russell.

"Well, he'll definitely anchor the defense inside," said D'Antoni. "Bill Russell covered up a lot of mistakes for the Celtics. And I think Tyson can help do that for the Knicks this season. He brings us everything we didn't have."

"I understand we just came together, but I would be sitting here lying to you if I didn't say that was my goal [to win the title]," Chandler said. "When you come here, and you've got the talent that we have, that should be your goal."





Hump is back for Jersey

The Hump is back on the Nets — sans a very famous hump.

Power forward Kris Humphries took a break from the gossip magazines to re-sign with New Jersey

yesterday.

ESPN reported the deal would be for one-year and about \$8 million.

Humphries averaged 10 points and 10.4 rebounds per game last year. O METRO



In the news

Celtics' **Pierce** injured

Celtics forward Paul Pierce may be in question for the season opener against the Knicks this Sunday. Pierce injured his foot in the team's first scrimmage and has only practiced sporadically since. Head coach **Doc Rivers said** he doesn't know if Pierce will be available.

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In the news



Ohio State gets bowl ban Urban Meyer is winning the recruiting battle, but not the

one against the

NCAA. The NCAA Committee on Infractions decided yesterday the Buckeyes would be banned from postseason play next season.

Jets players don't consider Giants a rival

This is not a rivalry, so say the Jets as they ready for Saturday's game.

The two teams may share New York in their monikers, but for the Jets players, Jets-Giants isn't a true rivalry. Left guard Matt Slauson, in his third year with the team, said he doesn't remember the last time the Giants and Jets played each other because he wasn't with the team.

"I don't think it's a true rivalry. We only get to play those guys once every four years. I don't consider it a On TV Saturday

Giants vs. Jets 1 p.m., FOX

true rivalry," Jets cornerback Antonio Cromartie said. "A true rivalry is us against New England; that's



a rivalry. This is a game for us. We have to treat it as a playoff game. We're still a sixth seed and [we need to] make sure we control our sixth seed."

Without hesitation the Jets said the Patriots are their biggest rival. Nose

tackle Sione Pouha rattled off several AFC teams before the Giants.

"We play them every four years; they're in the NFC," tight end Matt Mulligan said. It can be difficult to build that storied rivalry." METRO/KD







Sanchez healthy for Giants

After briefly leaving the Eagles game with a neck injury, Jets quarterback Mark Sanchez took almost all of the snaps in practice yesterday and proclaimed himself ready to go Saturday against the Giants.

"I'm feeling good,"
Sanchez said. "Took
all of the reps except
for a couple, I think,
today, and I'll be ready
to go for the game."

"I think it's a little stiff," Rex Ryan said. "He looked fine today." O METRO



Forget rivalry, just win game

◆ Jets trying to focus on making the playoffs, not any crosstown battle ◆ Loss would make playoffs unlikely

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Rivalry game or not, the Jets aren't focused solely on the battle between two crosstown teams Saturday. Instead, beating the Giants would just be another step towards a third-straight postseason trip.

With a tentative grasp on the sixth and final playoff spot in the AFC, Rex Ryan's team has bigger things to think about than bragging rights in the Big Apple. A loss would likely kill any postseason ambitions.

"That's the biggest thing — we're fighting for our playoff lives," Jets right



"When I got this job, I wanted to be the team people talked about. I want to be the better team."

guard Brandon Moore said. "They are too, definitely that kind of atmosphere

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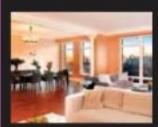
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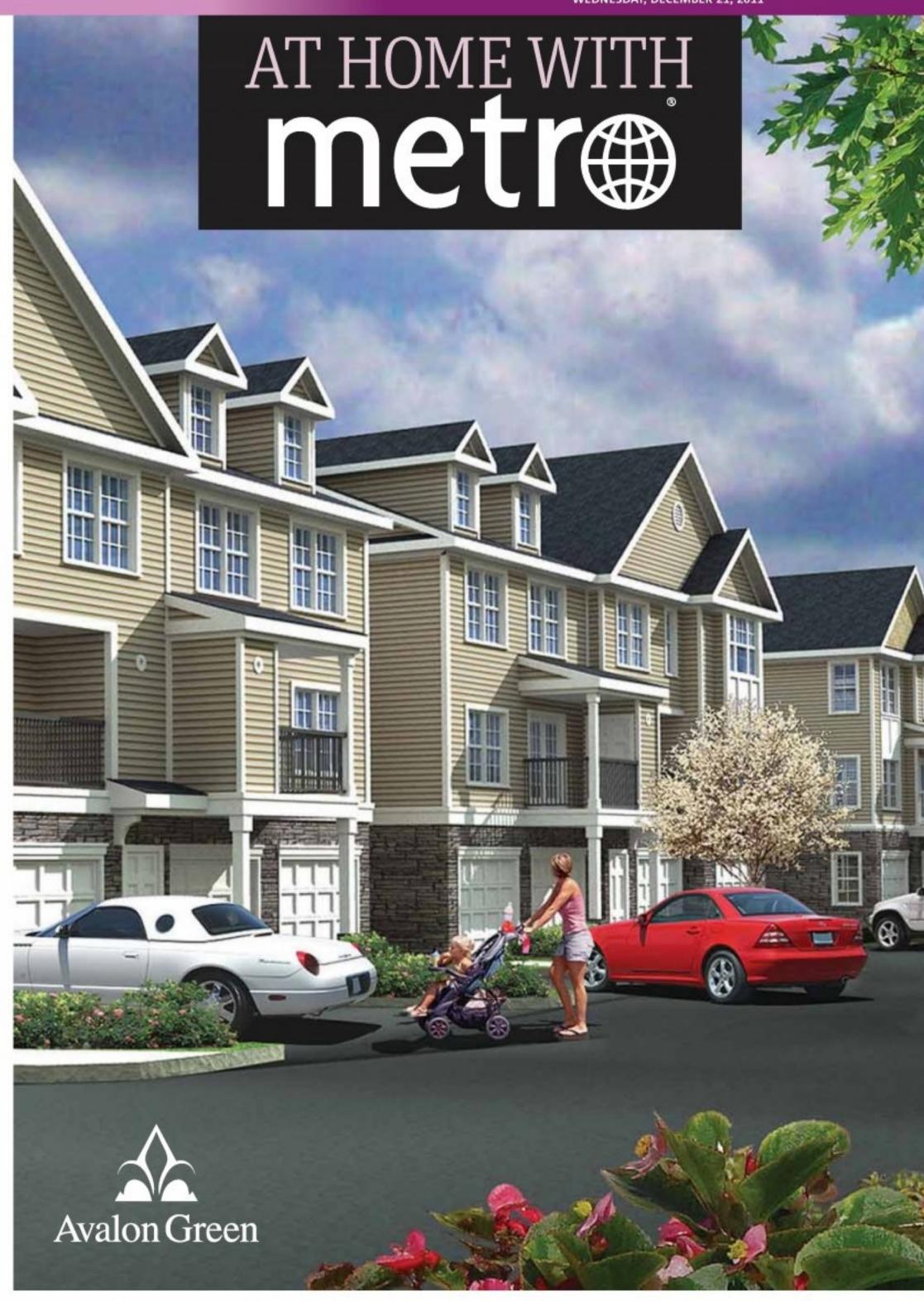


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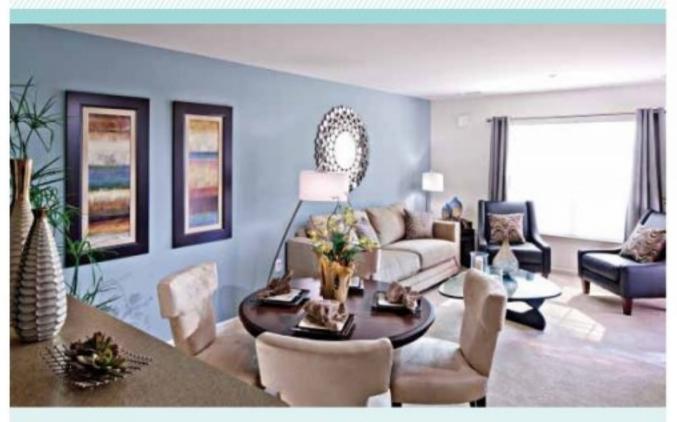
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How to achieve harmony at home with feng shui

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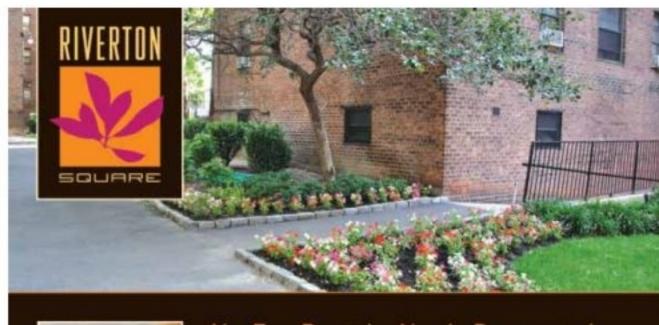
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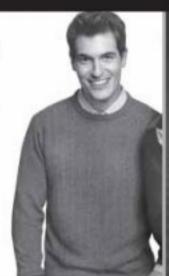
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